

GALT TRAFFIC

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SEPTEMBER 2004

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Saturday September 11 at 10:00 AM

By John Roach

The **Board of Directors** will meet at 9:00 (members welcome).

The **Chapter meeting** will begin at 10. Financial results of Flyers & Tires will be announced. A local Boy Scout Troop has asked if we would conduct an Aviation Merit Badge Day. We will be looking for volunteers, a date, and a committee to head this up. The business meeting should conclude by 10:15 or so and the remainder of the meeting will be a presentation on the Paulsen's home building project. (see following article.) **Young Eagles flights** will be conducted following the meeting (11 to 4 PM).

FEATURED AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING

By John Roach

EAA members **Silke and Bruce Paulsen** will be our guests at the Sept. meeting to discuss four years of progress on their Lancair project. If you have ever wondered what it would be like to build an airplane, this is a great chance to get an insider's look at the process.

Bruce Paulsen grew up in Frankenmuth, MI. At age 18, he became a private pilot and logged hours until his first job out of college sent him to Worms, Germany working for the Department of Defense.

Silke (Paulsen) grew up in West Berlin. Bruce and Silke met while she was a college student in Worms. Their hands-on project was the construction of a radio-controlled trainer for her. Bruce built the right wing, Silke the left. The plane (and their relationship) flew! Around this time, Bruce came across a picture of a Lancair and he had found "his" plane. After 5 years in Germany, Bruce returned to the US (in '95) and Silke followed soon after.

After five more years, they decided it was time to embark on the big adventure. They moved to Wonder Lake and in September 2000, they started freeing a Lancair ES from its crate. In 2003, they ventured out to Galt, where Silke earned her wings in May 2004.

When not working on the Lancair, they try to get some "airtime" in on Galt's N4868E.

LETTER FROM A SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

Johnsburg, IL

July 29, 2004

Dear Chapter 932 members:

Thank you for choosing me as (a) scholarship recipient for the EAA Air Academy. The week of July 5 was the greatest experience of my life. I had a blast.

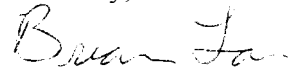
At EAA Air Academy I learned basic fundamentals about flight, worked in the EAA workshop, and got to fly a RV-6A. In the classroom I learned about the different forces and principles of flight. I also discussed traffic patterns, instrument only flying, RV airplanes, and hang gliding with my fellow students. After these lessons we flew in flight simulators using the skills we had just learned.

In the workshop we experienced what aeronautical engineers do everyday. We made gliders, part of an instrument panel, and an airfoil. My glider flew and did loops and rolls on its own accord. The airfoil I built also flew in a wind tunnel.

The best part of the camp was flying the RV-6A. I flew lazy eights, banked turns, zero-gravity, and other maneuvers in the air. Flying the plane was the fastest half-hour of my life.

Thank you again for choosing me as (a) scholarship recipient. I had a lot of fun and learned a lot from the experience. Thank-you for helping me move forward on my path of aviation.

Sincerely;



Brian Lane



SNAP SHOTS FROM FLYERS & TIRES '04



(Above) We had plenty of good help in the "Kitchen"



(Above) Steve Mark set up an informational display in the Chapter building that netted us two new members!



(Above, clockwise) a '56 Chevy "burns out". John Roach supervises the flight line. The crowd enjoys the aerobatics demonstration. The RC turbojets flew and were a real crowd pleaser.

2004 FLY-IN & EVENTS CALENDAR

SEP 11 EAA 932 mtg. 10 AM, Young Eagles 11-4

OCT 9 EAA 932 Chilifest/Hayride/Bonfire 6 PM No meeting, but Young Eagles 11-4

NOV 13 EAA 932 mtg. 10 AM, Young Eagles 11-4 Last Young Eagle Rally for 2004

DEC 11 EAA 932 mtg. 10 AM

For information on Fly-Ins, aviation events and alerts/TFRs, check the following web sites:

AOPA: www.aopa.org

EAA: www.eaa.org

FAA: www.faa.gov

EAA 932: www.eaa932.org

IL DOT: www.dot.state.il.us/acro/index.html

WI DOT: www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/air/genral.html

EAA 932 Meetings 2nd Saturdays 10 am and Young Eagle Flights 11-4 pm (Apr.-Nov.)

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THREE RETIRED PILOTS by JHsr.



Oscar: "Inside me lives a skinny young fighter pilot trying to get out."

Foxy: "A couple of beers ought to shut him up."

Papa: "Here's to the both of you!"



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